



November 2008

Inside College Station

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lit with a wide variety of lights and decorations, and take their own pictures... a truly magical experience.

Lights will be on November 26 through January 1 from 6:00pm to 11:00pm and holiday celebrations will commence December 5, 6, 12, 13 from 6:00pm to 9:00pm.

This year's event is sponsored by "Wind Watts" of College Station Utilities, Waltman and Grisham-Attorneys at Law, and Kroger.

To learn more about the event, visit www.cstx.gov or call 979-764-3486.

25 Years of Family Tradition

Christmas in the Park is a month long holiday celebration that includes over 1 million lights decorating the beautiful 47 acre Stephen C. Beachy Central Park. The event begins at Thanksgiving and continues throughout the month of December each year.

In its 25-year history, Christmas in the Park has hosted over 2 million visitors, many of which have been coming back year after year, making each Christmas in the Park a holiday family tradition since 1984.

The event is also a Parks and Recreation family tradition! We have many second generation parks employees that are involved in the planning and production. All of the displays are hand-made by City of College Station Parks and Recreation staff.

"Through its hometown family atmosphere, Christmas in the Park has become a jewel in College Station's crown," said Sheila Walker, Parks and

Recreation Supervisor. "At Christmas in the Park there is something fun for everyone."

The old-fashioned hayrides, free cookies and cocoa, live entertainment, friendly staff and comfortable park setting have made this a wonderful holiday activity.

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Parks and Recreation Supervisor

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Plus, visitors can see Santa in the most beautiful setting, inside the Central Park Administrative Offices

Christmas
in the
Park

Meet Santa and enjoy hayrides, cookies, hot cocoa, live music and entertainment!

HOLIDAY LIGHTS
Nov 26 thru Jan 1
6pm - 11pm

HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS
Dec 5, 6, 12, 13
6pm - 9pm

Stephen C. Beachy
Central Park
Hwy 6 and Krenek Tap Rd



Energy Conservation/Rebates
979 764-3724

Wind Watts/Wind Power
979 764-3535
cstx.gov/ucs

e-Bill Signup
979-764-3535
cstx.gov/ucs

e-Payments
979 764-EPAY (3729)
epay.cstx.gov

Credit Card Payments
979 764-3535

24/7 Utility Dispatch
979 764-3638


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fixtures, washer/dryer and bath vents to reduce air infiltration.

- Check your central unit's duct system for leaks and repair with mastic or duct tape.

For more winter tips and information, go to www.cstx.gov/utilities.

BVSWMA Workers Get National Award -----

Two Brazos Valley Solid Waste Management Agency (BVSWMA) workers brought home 2nd Place awards in the International Road E-O competition held in Kentucky this October.

The purpose of the Road E-O competition is to promote professionalism and safety on the part of drivers, operators and mechanics in the field of solid waste management. For more information, call 979-764-3878.

complement the existing positive attributes of our management team."

Holiday Waste Collection --

Thanksgiving Holiday

November 27-29, 2008

Christmas Holiday

December 25-27, 2008

Residential Garbage & Brush/Rubbish

- Off Thursday
- Thursday route collected Friday
- Friday route collected Saturday

Commercial Collection

- Off Thursday
- Thu/Fri route collected Friday

Recycling Collection (TCW)

- Off Thursday, no make up
- Friday route collected Friday

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2008

All Waste Collection

- Regular Work Day

Ward Off Winter Woes ----

Below are few friendly tips from College Station Utilities on how you can save money and energy this winter season:

- Lower your thermostat to 68 degrees to save on heating costs.
- Dress properly by wearing warmer clothing – a good time to break out those sweats!
- Replace your return air filter at least once a month. Households with pets that shed may need to replace more often.
- Have your heater or furnace serviced to insure that it is operating properly.
- Check the weather-stripping around thresholds, doors and windows and replace or repair them when necessary.
- Caulk around plumbing and wiring holes from the attic, and around socket and switch outlets, vent-a-hoods, recessed light

City Hires New Assistant City Manager -----



The City of College Station recently hired David Neeley as a new Assistant City Manager.

Neeley was the former City Manager of Sugar Land, Texas (1987-2001), and a former Utility Operations Director and Public Works Director for the City of Plano, Texas (1979-1982).

College Station City Manager Glenn Brown said, "David is a highly competent person who will bring different strengths to our office that will

City Has New Five-Minute News Program -----

The City of College Station introduces a new five-minute news program called *CS Xpress*.

CS Xpress is a semi-daily news show that briefs residents on the latest events, programs and decisions by the City of College Station. The news show supplements the city's 30-minute magazine-style show called *College Station Now*.

College Station Now is broadcast every day on Channel 19 at 6:30am, 12:30pm, 6:30pm, and 10:30pm on the city's government-access television channel, CSTV-19. The show is also featured on KBTX every Sunday morning at 7:30am.

You can view all of the *CS Xpress* interviews and current news features at www.cstx.gov/csxpress, or view the latest edition on Channel 19 at 9:30am, 9:00pm, or midnight.